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THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Sir, the number of cattle that should be permitted to graze is limited in the interests of the preservation of forests. If there is any illicit permission granted for grazing, I would like the hon. Member to bring it to my notice."

SRI K. KUNHI MOHAMAD SHAFEE :—" May I know Sir, whether any grazing fee is levied for elephants and, if so, what is the rate fixed? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" I have no information with me."

Construction of a new building for the District Headquarters Hospital, Mangalore.

* 302 *Q.*—SRI M. S. MOGRAL : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) the total amount sanctioned for the construction of the new building of the District Headquarters Hospital at Mangalore;

(*b*) the amount spent so far;

(*c*) when the construction of the buildings will be completed;

(*d*) the old bed-strength of the Hospital: and

(*e*) the future bed-strength of the Hospital?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) Rupees 16·8 lakhs.

" (*b*) Rupees 6,66,877 up to the end of December 1953.

" (*c*) The construction now in progress may be completed in the course of this year.

" (*d*) 116.

" (*e*) 314."

Conference of the Presidency Panchayat Union.

* 303 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received a copy of the resolutions passed by the conference held at Madras under the auspices of the Presidency Panchayat Union at the end of January 1954; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI K. RAJARAM :—" (*a*) No, Sir.

" (*b*) Does not arise."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" Is the Union, a recognized Union? "

THE HON. SRI K. RAJARAM :—" Yes, Sir. It is a recognized Union."